



# Interlake–Eastern Regional Health Authority

## Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2023

Selkirk United Church – 202 McLean Ave., Selkirk, MB

Meeting Number 02.2023.05.25

### MINUTES

**Present:** Michele Polinuk; Chair  
Cyndi Typliski, Vice-Chair  
Murray Werbeniuk  
Susan Bater  
Lynette McDonald  
Judith Cameron (*virtual*)  
Steven Brennan  
Tammy Hagyard-Wiebe  
Penny Anne Wainwright

**Regrets:** Debbie Fiebelkorn & Arnthor Jonasson

**Absent:**

**RHA Staff:** Marion Ellis, CEO  
Dorothy Forbes, Regional Lead, Corporate Service and Chief Financial Officer  
C. Cole, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

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#### 1. Call to Order

M. Polinuk, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

#### 2. Welcome

M. Polinuk welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 3. Traditional Land Acknowledgement

L. McDonald addressed the Treaty Land Acknowledgment.

“Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority delivers health-care services on First Nation Treaty Territories 1, 2, 3 and 5 and on the homeland of the Red River Métis Nation. We respect that First Nations treaties were made on these territories, acknowledge harms and mistakes, and we dedicate ourselves to collaborate in partnership with First Nations, Inuit and Red River Métis peoples in the spirit of reconciliation.”

#### 4. Adoption of Agenda

The Board reviewed the agenda and there were no additions brought forward.

Moved by T. Hagyard-Wiebe, seconded by J. Cameron

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The agenda be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 02.2023.05.4.0

#### 5. Attendance

M. Polinuk provided roll call.

J. Cameron joined virtually.

A. Jonasson and D. Fiebelkorn sent regrets.

All other Board of Directors attended in person at the Selkirk United Church.

Moved by L. McDonald, seconded by S. Bater

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

All Board of Directors are in attendance, in person and virtually at the May 25, 2023 meeting.

MOTION CARRIED: 02.2023.05.5.0

#### 6. Adoption of previous minutes

##### 6.1 Inaugural Board Minutes (April 27, 2023)

The April 27, 2023 Inaugural Board Minutes were reviewed.

Moved by M. Werbeniuk, seconded by S. Brennan

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes from the April 27, 2023 Inaugural Board meeting be adopted as presented.

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##### 6.2 Regular Board Minutes (April 27, 2023)

The April 27, 2023 Board of Directors minutes were reviewed.

Moved by C. Typliski, seconded by T. Hagyard-Wiebe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes from the April 27, 2023 Board meeting be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 02.2023.05.6.2

#### 7. Business Arising – None

## 8. New Business

### 8.1 2024/25 Annual Operational Plan Guidance – Board Briefing

Robert West, Derek Felton, Tressa Alexiuk, Cheryl Osborne and Michele Mathae-Hunter joined the Board virtually at 1:00pm.

The Transformation Management Office (TMO) provided the Board a briefing on the 2024/25 Annual Operating Plan (AOP) cycle. The objective of the session is to share to explain the new approach to the Annual Operating Plans, as there has been significant changes from recent years. In addition to discuss the role of the Service Delivery Organization (SDO) Boards in the process and how they can support the work with the organization.

Opportunity for questions was provided throughout the session. Board shared their concerns.

The Board thanked everyone for coming.

Robert West, Derek Felton, Tressa Alexiuk, Cheryl Osborne and Michele Mathae-Hunter left the meeting at 1:50pm.

## 9. Chair's Report

Michele Polinuk provided her Chair's report:

- Met with the Agencies, Board and Commissions office on May 23, 2023. Purpose of the meeting was introduction as there has been a change in contacts, vacant position on the Board and to see if ABC (Crown Corporation) educational training for the Board will commence again. More information to follow.
- Board self-evaluation and Chair's evaluation will be sent out following today's meeting through SurveyMonkey. The Board will be asked to complete it by June 2, 2023.
- Board Skills, Knowledge and Training Matrix will be sent out following today's meeting through SurveyMonkey. The Board will be asked to complete it by June 2, 2023. Michele reminded the Board that this is optional, but it is a good to re-evaluate annually; continuing education and development are encouraged to develop and enhance skills and knowledge of the Board members individually and collectively to close any gaps to increase the capacity of the IERHA Board.
- Board member 1:1 conversations have taken place with all the standing committee Chairs, as well as new Board members during their orientation. Michele noted that she will be connecting with the remaining Board members to set up 1:1 conversations by the end of June.
- Acknowledgement of thanks and farewell to D. Forbes, Regional Lead, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, who will be leaving the Interlake-Eastern RHA, June 9, 2023.

## 10. Chief Executive Officer Report

### 10.1 May 2023 CEO Report to the Board – Executive Summary

M. Ellis, CEO, provided a high-level executive summary overview to the Board, highlights included:

- On Thursday, May 19, 2023, alongside the Minister Health Audrey Gordon, the CEO and the Board Chair attended the Manitoba Government announcement to add two new scanners at the at

Selkirk Regional Health Centre and doubling CT scan capacity for Interlake-Eastern Regional Health Authority, where they are investing more than \$15 million to reduce patient wait times.

- One CT scanner will be entirely new to the facility, while the other will replace aging equipment to ensure safe, reliable and efficient services. The funding will allow for double the CT scans to be performed in Selkirk to 34,000 scans from the current 17,000 scans annually. Combined, they will serve to support expected increases in endoscopy diagnoses and surgeries at the site.
- On Friday May 12, 2023 the first Provincial Health Care Performance Summit was held in Winnipeg. The guest speaker was Matthew Swindell's, who is responsible for 4 acute care hospitals in the North West London Acute area in the UK, comprising an area of 2.2 million people. Each Service Delivery Organization (SDO) was assigned a topic to present. IERHA was asked to present on "Aligning executive and clinical/frontline leadership".
- On May 5, 2023 the World Health Organization announced that COVID-19 no longer qualifies as a global emergency, marking a symbolic end to the coronavirus pandemic.
  - Last week the health system moved towards becoming mask friendly.
  - Guidelines are still in place for staff who test positive for COVID.
  - We can expect to see masking and PPE requirements for staff and public retained in outbreak situations.
- The Accountability Management Office provided formal feedback, from the April bilateral meeting. Actions and follow-up will be required for next meeting that is planned to take place in September.

The May 2023 fulsome CEO Report to the Board on progress was included in the package.

Opportunity for questions was provided.

## **11. Committee Reports**

### **11.1 Finance Committee**

#### **11.1.1 Approved Finance Minutes**

The approved Finance Committee minutes from April 20, 2023 are included in the Board package for information.

#### **11.1.2 Finance Presentation**

D. Forbes reviewed in detail the preliminary financial dashboard, financial statements, analysis notes and quarterly financial and statistical information updates as of March 31, 2023.

It was noted the March financial results are preliminary at this time and therefore a motion is not required.

### **11.2 Audit Committee**

No. report. The next Audit Committee meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2023.

### **11.3 Quality and Patient Safety Committee**

No report. The next Quality and Patient Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2023.

## **11.4 Education, Policy and Planning Committee**

### **11.4.1 Approved Education, Policy and Planning Minutes**

The approved Education, Policy and Planning minutes from April 20, 2023 are included in the Board package for information.

### **11.4.2 Annual General Meeting – Date Change**

J. Cameron noted that the 2023 Manitoba general election is scheduled to occur on October 3, 2023 to elect members to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba. There will be a 60-day blackout period prior to the election that will affect our Annual General Meeting, Monday, October 2, 2023.

This does not affect the promotion of the Annual General Meeting as we can work around complying with the limitations. However, it will affect the Annual General Meeting, as we would need to need to avoid specific mention of funding, initiatives, achievements, etc.

Recommendation is to move the Annual General Meeting to after the 2023 Manitoba general election day.

As the Annual General Meeting is set out in by-law one, the Board will require a motion to approve the date change.

**Motion by M. Werbeniuk, seconded by C. Typliski**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**The Board of Directors approves moving the Annual General Meeting to Tuesday, October 10, 2023.**

**MOTION CARRIED: 02.2023.05.11.4.2**

## **11.5 Indigenous Health Committee**

The approved Indigenous Health minutes from March 16, 2023 are included in the Board package for information.

## **12. For Information**

### **12.1 Board Photos – June Board Meeting**

Board photos will be taking place prior to the June Board meeting. A reminder and a guidance email will be sent out to the Board prior to the day. A group Board photo will be taken for use in the annual report, along with a head and shoulders shot for the website.

## **13. Next Meeting**

- Thursday, June 22, 2023 @ 12:30 p.m.  
Selkirk United Church – 202 McLean Ave., Selkirk, Manitoba

#### 14. In Camera

D. Forbes and C. Cole left the meeting at 3:16 p.m.

In attendance:

M. Polinuk, M. Werbeniuk, C. Typliski, J. Cameron, S. Bater, P.A. Wainwright, L. McDonald, S. Brennan, T. Hagyard-Wiebe and M. Ellis (left at 3:38 p.m.).

Moved by P.A. Wainwright, seconded by M. Werbeniuk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The meeting moved “in camera” at 3:16 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED: 02.2023.05.14A

Moved by L. McDonald, seconded by T. Hagyard-Wiebe

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The meeting moved “out of camera” at 3:38 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED: 02.2023.05.14B

#### 15. Adjournment

Moved by L. McDonald, the meeting be adjourned at 3:38 p.m.